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1. THE STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN WAS PROVIDED WITH THE FOLLOWING MATERIAL ON AN IF ASKED BASIS FOR THE NOON BRIEFING TODAY. YOU MAY DRAW ON THIS MATERIAL AS YOU WISH.

2. QUOTE Q: WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT REPORTS THAT CUBAN FISHING VESSELS HAVE BEEN ATTACKED BY MIAMI BASED CUBAN EXILES? A: ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, TWO CUBAN FISHING BOATS WERE ATTACKED IN AN AREA WEST OF ANDROS ISLAND IN THE BAHAMAS. HAVANA RADIO CLAIMED THAT THE ATTACKS WERE MOUNTED BY "COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY ELEMENTS" IN MIAMI. THE CREWS, WHICH APPARENTLY HAD BEEN SET FREE IN TWO SMALL BOATS, WERE RECOVERED BY CUBA ON OCTOBER 5. ONE OF THE TWELVE CREW MEMBERS IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED IN THE ATTACK.

THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS ASKED THE DEPARTMENT OF
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JUSTICE TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER THERE WAS ANY INVOLVEMENT

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BY PERSONS UNDER U.S. JURISDICTION WITH THE VIEW OF
PROSECUTING ANY VIOLATIONS OF U.S. LAW.

THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE SWISS EMBASSY,
INFORMED US ON OCTOBER 8 THAT THEY WERE HOLDING TWO U.S.

REGISTERED VESSELS WITH THEIR FIVE CREW MEMBERS FOR
INVESTIGATION OF POSSIBLE INVELVEMENT IN THE ATTACKS
AGAINST THE TWO CUBAN FISHING VESSELS. THE STATE
DEPARTMENT HAS ASKED FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING
THE NAMES AND NATIONALITIES OF THE DETAINED INDIVIDUALS.
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